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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 13, 1998, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2-6 and 16 without prejudice toward the further prosecution of these claims in a Continuation and/or Divisional Application.

Please amend the claims as follows:

In Claim 1, lines 9-13, please delete "substituted or unsubstituted C₃₋₈ alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C₃₋₈ alkenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C₃₋₈ alkynyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group or a".